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SkillsUSA NEBRASKA ANNOUNCES 2013 COMPETITION WINNERS

SkillsUSA Nebraska, a Nebraska Department of Education student organization, recently recognized award winners and elected new officers during its 2013 conference in Hastings.

About 1,500 people attended the conference, including 1,200 high school and college and technical students and advisors.

The following students were elected high school officers for 2013-2014:

Peyton Schmidt – Seward High School

Jerrod Whittaker – Gretna High School

Samuel Lindblad – Adams Central High School

Katie Zeluf – Louisville High School

Cale Miller – Seward High School

Moriah Heerten – Keya Paha County High School

Kim Huynh – Lincoln North Star High School

The following student was elected college/technical school officer for 2013-2014:

Ashley Beall – Central Community College-Hastings

Jesse Zweep of Louisville High School was named Outstanding High School Advisor of the Year. John Berger of Metropolitan Community College-Omaha was named Outstanding College/Technical Advisor of the Year.

Maybell Galusha of Millard Horizon High School, Dana Janssen of Papillion-La Vista High School and Trevor Secora of Metropolitan Community College-Omaha were elected to the SkillsUSA Nebraska Board of Directors.

Students participated in 90 hands-on skill and leadership contests. First place winners qualify for the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Championships Conference, June 24 - 28, in Kansas City, Missouri.

First, second and third place winners are:

3-D Visualization & Animation

First place: Seward High School, Team #2

Second place: Seward High School, Team #1

Third place: Seward High School, Team #3

Action Skills

First place: Adam Morales, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Second place: Johnathan Fernandez, Sutherland High School
Third place: True Flynn, Sutherland High School

Action Skills C/T

First Place: Derrick Marshall, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Advertising Design

First place: Erin Miller, Seward High School
Second place: Clarissa Weers, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Third Place: Josh Behlen, Seward High School

Architectural Drafting

First place: Cale Miller, Seward High School
Second place: Layton Welsh, Omaha Burke High School
Third place: Lane Suing, Crofton High School

Architectural Drafting, C/T

First place: Alexander Hrdy, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Second place: James Yeshnowski, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Third place: Wyatt Getzschman, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Automated Manufacturing Technology

First place: Millard West High School, Team #2
Second place: Seward High School, Team #1

Automated Manufacturing Technology

First place: Central Community College-Hastings, Team #500

Automotive Refinishing

First place: David Korpua, Career Center-Omaha
Second place: Cody Eastman, Seward High School
Third Place: Austin Holoubek, Career Center -Omaha

Automotive Refinishing, C/T

First place: Jason Raynos, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Automotive Service Technology

First place: Zachary Holifield, Millard South High School
Second place: Caelen Nichols, North Platte High School
Third place: Marcus Kemp, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Automotive Service Technology, C/T

First place: Ricardo Salazar, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Second place: Keith Stille, Southeast Community College-Lincoln
Third place: Thor Thompson, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

Basic Health Care Skills

First place: Alexis Gonzalez, Millard Horizon High School
Second place: Seth Lewis, Seward High School
Third place: Kaeyla Stafford, Sidney High School

Cabinetmaking

First place: Zach Turner, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Second place: Patrick Schneider, Millard North High School
Third place: Dain Armbrust, Millard North High School

Carpentry

First place: Alex Hurd, Gretna High School
Second place: Jay Kort, Adams Central High School
Third place: Chaz Janssen, Adams Central High School

Carpentry, C/T

First place: Andrew Wike, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Second place: Jamie Policky, Wayne State College

Chapter Business Procedure

First place: Seward High School, Team #1
Second place: Sutherland High School, Team #4

Chapter Display

First place: Raymond Central High School, Team #1
Second place: Sterling High School, Team #2

CNC Milling, C/T

First place: Merit Rodehorst, Central Community College-Hastings
Second place: Ethan Asche, Central Community College-Hastings
Third place: Brandon Johannes, Central Community College-Hastings

CNC Turning Technology

First place: Andrew Rutt, Hastings High School

CNC Turning Technology, C/T

First place: Cole Fisher, Central Community College-Hastings
Second place: Andrew Lagen, Central Community College-Hastings

Collision Repair Technology

First place: David Borchers, Raymond Central High School
Second place: Matthew Hobbs, Louisville High School
Third place: Jared Sterns, Raymond Central High School

Collision Repair Technology, CT

First place: Harley Mitchell, Central Community College-Hastings
Second place: Tylor Shull, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Commercial Baking

First place: Kaylee Gill, Wood River High School
Second place: Taylor Beck, Millard Horizon High School
Third place: Breanne Goben, Millard Horizon High School

Community Action Project

First place: Adams Central High School, Team #1
Second place: Elmwood-Murdock High School, Team #2

Community Service

First place: Louisville High School, Team #1
Second place: Sterling High School, Team #2
Third place: Adams Central High School, Team #3

Computer Maintenance Technology

First place: Manuel Nila, North Platte High School
Second place: Amber Makovicka, Columbus High School
Third place: Jared Rupert, Norris High School

Cosmetology

First place: Colleen Anderson, Platteview High School
Second place: Ameer Hemberger, Adams Central High School
Third place: Carlee Derby, Louisville High School

Crime Scene Investigation

First place: Blair High School, Team #13
Second place: Adams Central High School, Team #12
Third place: Seward High School, Team #1

Criminal Justice

First place: Ben Sleight, Millard North High School
Second place: Delany Behrendt, Ravenna High School
Third place: Gabrielle Roberts, Papillion-La Vista High School

Culinary Arts

First place: Jarnario McClurge, Millard Horizon High School
Second place: Becca Dillion, Louisville High School
Third place: Rachel Broyles, Millard Horizon High School

Customer Service

First place: Michael Bauer, Ravenna High School
Second place: Samantha Granstrom, Adams Central High School
Third place: Gator Schott, Ravenna High School

Customer Service C/T

First place: Guiovanni Alcantar, Mid- Plains Community College-North Platte

Diesel Equipment Technology

First place: Brett Heitman, Platteview High School
Second place: Justin Morton, Fremont High School
Third place: Cody Belding, Papillion-La Vista South High School

Diesel Equipment Technology, C/T

First place: Mikel Summers, Central Community College-Hastings
Second place: Justin Curtis, Central Community College-Hastings
Third place: Brady Bretschneider, Central Community College-Hastings

Early Childhood Education

First place: Mattie Cunningham, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Second place: Sarah Tetschner, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Third place: Ali Meyer, Sutherland High School

Electrical Construction Wiring

First place: Joshua Critel, Doniphan-Trumbull High School
Second place: Dan Riha, Gretna High School
Third place: Matthew Schneider, Hastings High School

Electrical Construction Wiring C/T

First place: Cody Smith, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Second place: Jeremy Pedersen, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Third place: Daniel Nisley, Mid-Plains Community College-North Platte

Electronics Technology

First place: Brandon Wright, Kearney High School
Second place: Clay Henggeler, Columbus High School

Extemporaneous Speaking

First place: Paul Bauer, Ravenna High School
Second place: Cale Miller, Seward High School
Third place: Aiden Burkitt, Fairbury High School

Extemporaneous Speaking C/T

First place: Patrick Damme, Metropolitan Community College- Omaha

Firefighting

First place: Tyrel Hernes, Arlington High School
Second place: Caleb Beaver, Papillion-La Vista High School
Third place: Nathan Priess, Doniphan-Trumbull High School

Firefighting, C/T

First place: Justin Lammers, Southeast Community College-Lincoln
Second place: Jack Kassebaum, Southeast Community College-Lincoln
Third place: Jake Buntrock, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

First Aid/CPR

First place: McKenzie Summerfield, Papillion-La Vista South High School

Second place: Kyle Feiler, Raymond Central High School
Third place: Megan Knott, Louisville High School

Health Knowledge Bowl

First place: Arlington High School, Team #7
Second place: Millard Horizon High School, Team #9
Third place: Ravenna High School, Team #8

HVACR C/T

First place: Gerald McNerney, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Industrial Motor Control, C/T

First place: Brent Jackson, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha
Second place: Steven Pounds, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

Job Interview

First place: Christina Tran, Papillion-La Vista High School
Second place: Michael Irby, Columbus High School
Third place: Jacob Monti, Bennington High School

Job Interview C/T

First place: Ashley Beall, Central Community College-Hastings

Job Skill Demonstration A

First place: Marah Hestermann, Sterling High School
Second place: Josh Dolbow, Sterling High School
Third place: Brady Wilson, Grand Island High School

Job Skill Demonstration Open

First place: Samuel Lindblad, Adams Central High School
Second place: Carl Heinicke, Seward High School
Third place: JD Isaac, Raymond Central High School

Major Appliance C/T

First place: Troy Bornemeier, Southeast Community College-Milford

Masonry

First place: Joseph Godfrey, North Platte High School
Second place: Owen Anderson, Louisville High School
Third place: Samuel Felix, Louisville High School

Mechatronics

First place: Columbus High School, Team #1
Second place: Columbus High School, Team #2

Mechatronics C/T

First place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #501

Second place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #500

Medical Assisting

First place: Victoria Korth, Adams Central High School

Second place: Jake Dexter, Seward High School

Third place: Joshua Garner, York High School

Medical Math

First place: Jordan Nash, Adams Central High School

Second place: Christina Tran, Papillion-La Vista High School

Third place: Attison Paxton, Millard Horizon High School

Medical Math C/T

First place: Ashley Beall, Central Community College-Hastings

Medical Terminology

First place: Katryna Booth-Malnack, Millard Horizon High School

Second place: Sydney Miller, Arlington High School

Mobile Electronics Installation

First place: Jerrod Whittaker, Gretna High School

Second place: Colton Fickler, Louisville High School

Third place: Steven Whitfield, Bellevue West High School

Mobile Robotics Technology

First place: Millard West High School, Team #9

Second place: Millard West High School, Team #8

Third place: Papillion-La Vista High School, Team #17

Motorcycle Technology

First place: Brad Anderson, Hastings High School

Motorcycle Technology

First place: Kyle Friedel, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

Second place: Seth Davis, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

Third place: Cameron Supencheck, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

National T-Shirt Design

First place: Lauren Walz, Seward High School

Second place: Kennedy Sloan, Seward High School

Third place: Hailie Fleecs, Sutherland High School

Nurse Assisting

First place: McKenna Kral, Adams Central High School

Second place: Kelsey Kranz, York High School

Third place: Theresa Tracy, Seward High School

Opening & Closing Ceremonies

First place: North Platte High School, Team #4
Second place: North Platte High School, Team #3
Third place: Louisville High School, Team #2

Photography

First place: Katelyn Rowan, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Second place: Paul Beyer, Sidney High School
Third place: Harlie Dale, Ravenna High School

Plumbing

First place: Carston Staehr, York High School
Second place: Tanner Wintholz, Sidney High School
Third place: Willy Zeleny, Gretna High School

Power Equipment Technology

First place: Brian Andersen, Gretna High School
Second place: Jared Allen, Crofton High School
Third place: Jared Helman, Fairbury High School

Precision Machining Technology

First place: Corey King, Hastings High School
Second place: Brandon McFarlane, Millard South High School
Third place: Johnathan Hemmer, Hastings High School

Precision Machining Tech, C/T

First place: Michael Selvage, Southeast Community College-Lincoln
Second place: Logan Ritz, Southeast Community College-Lincoln
Third place: Michael Schutte, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

Prepared Speech

First place: Clarissa Weers, Papillion-La Vista South High School
Second place: Sierra Wignall, Seward High School
Third place: Kim Huynh, Lincoln North Star High School

Promotional Bulletin Board

First place: Papillion-La Vista South High School, Team #7
Second place: Seward High School, Team #1
Third place: Louisville High School, Team #2

Quiz Bowl

First place: Seward High School, Team #1
Second place: Adams Central High School, Team #12
Third place: Fairbury High School, Team #7

Related Technical Math

First place: Allison Porter, Sterling High School
Second place: Brent Urban, Wahoo High School
Third place: Matthew Rohman, Norris High School

Restaurant Service

First place: Valley Cook, Adams Central High School
Second place: Lauren Wagner, Raymond Central High School
Third place: Jared Sterns, Raymond Central High School

Team Works

First place: Grand Island High School, Team #9
Second place: Crofton High School, Team #6
Third place: Platteview High School, Team #3

Team Works, C/T

First place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #504
Second place: Wayne State College, Team #503
Third place: Mid-Plains Community College-North Platte, Team #500

Technical Computer Application

First place: Zachary Bruick, Seward High School
Second place: Josh George, Seward High School
Third place: Nathaniel Steinbach, Papillion-La Vista High School

Technical Drafting

First place: Spencer Shield, Kearney High School
Second place: Robert Achenbach, Platteview High School
Third place: Derek Zimmerman, Kearney High School

Technical Drafting, C/T

First place: Eric Pieper, Central Community College-Hastings
Second place: Jacob Michel, Central Community College-Hastings
Third place: Anna Larson, Metropolitan Community College-Omaha

TV/Video Production

First place: Hastings High School, Team #6
Second place: Adams Central High School, Team #3
Third place: Sutherland High School, Team #5

TV/Video Production, C/T

First place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #500
Second place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #502

Web Design

First place: Seward High School, Team #1
Second place: Waverly High School, Team #4
Third place: Louisville High School, Team #2

Welding Champion Secondary

First place: Colton Craig, North Platte High School
Second place: Bryce Byman, Millard North High School

Third place: Cyrus Schiffler, Adams Central High School

Welding Champion Post Secondary

First place: Cody Lindamood, Southeast Community College-Milford

Second place: Paxton Gruber, Central Community College-Hastings

Third place: Garrett Elwood, Southeast Community College-Lincoln

Welding Fabrication

First place: North Platte High School, Team #10

Second place: Gretna High School, Team #9

Third place: Crofton High School, Team #17

Welding Fabrication, C/T

First place: Central Community College- Hastings, Team #502

Second place: Southeast Community College-Lincoln, Team #500

Third place: Metropolitan Community College-Omaha, Team #501

Welding Sculpture

First place: Courtney Cuddeford, Adams Central High School

Second place: Justice Whitten, Hastings High School

Third place: Makala Rinestine, Thedford High School

STATE ONLY CONTESTS:

State Architectural Blueprint Reading-High School Division

First place: Josh Weinand, Papillion-La Vista South High School

Second place: Jorden Morris, Papillion-La Vista South High School

State Automotive Parts-High School Division

First place: Leo Portillo, Columbus High School

Second place: Cody Henderson, Norris High School

State Bridge Building JR

First place: Dominic Beyer, Sidney High School

Second place: Josh Brumm, Seward High School

Third place: Caleb Griger, Seward High School

State Bridge Building SR

First place: Zach Heitkamp, Syracuse High School

Second place: Jacob Monti, Bennington High School

Third place: Carl Heinicke, Seward High School

State Cabinetmaking

First place: Danny Greco, Papillion-La Vista South High School

Second place: Morgan Krueger, Hastings High School

Third place: Alex Varon, Papillion-La Vista High School

State Extemporaneous Speech

First place: Josh Brumm, Seward High School

Second place: Breanne Hecht, Sutherland High School
Third place: Tawnie McConnell, Sutherland High School

State Job Interview

First place: Mary Heng, York High School
Second place: Trevor Spath, Waverly High School
Third place: Caleb Griger, Seward High School

State Job Skill Demonstration

First place: Austin Kneifl, Papillion-La Vista High School
Second place: Anastasia Lehman, Ft. Calhoun High School
Third place: Jordan Masek, Raymond Central High School

State Metric 500 JR

First place: Brandon Rewerts, Doniphan-Trumbull High School
Second place: Bryant Essink, Hastings High School
Third place: Bryce Johnson, Waverly High School

State Metric 500 SR

First place: Phillip Hammer, North Platte High School
Second place: Michael Jonas, Wahoo High School
Third place: Joseph Godfrey, North Platte High School

State Mousetrap Vehicles JR

First place: Cody Fries, Elmwood-Murdock High School
Second place: Collin Mettenbrink, Seward High School
Third place: Dustin Andersen, Elmwood-Murdock High School

State Mousetrap Vehicles SR

First place: Peyton Schmidt, Seward High School
Second place: Joel Ketner, Seward High School
Third place: Damian McAlevy, Ravenna High School

State Pin Design Contest

First place: Shay Shults, Seward High School
Second place: Kourteney Zadina, Seward High School
Third place: Rebecca Kramer, Raymond Central High School

State Only Prepared Speech

First place: Josh Behlen, Seward High School
Second place: Collin Mettenbrink, Seward High School
Third place: Hanna Cronk, Nebraska Unified Clearwater-Orchard High School

State Research & Development

First place: Papillion-La Vista High School, Team #4

State T- Shirt Design

First place: Kourteney Zadina, Seward High School

Second place: Lauren Walz, Seward High School
Third place: Allison Leising, Seward High School

State Technical Team Problem Solving

First place: Fairbury High School, Team #13
Second place: Ft. Calhoun High School, Team #25
Third place: Adams Central High School, Team #16

State Technical Team Problem Solving, C/T

First place: Central Community College-Hastings, Team #501
Second place: Southeast Community College-Lincoln, Team #502
Third place: Central Community College-Hastings, Team #500

State Welding, GMAW

First place: Matthew Lewandowski, Millard North High School
Second place: Cyrus Schiffler, Adams Central High School
Third place: Tyler Clark, North Platte High School

State Welding, GTAW

First place: Bryce Byman, Millard North High School
Second place: Joe Pascoe, North Platte High School
Third place: Kevin Bang, Millard North High School

State Welding, OAW

First place: Dillon Schultz, North Platte High School
Second place: Colton Craig, North Platte High School
Third place: Ashley Cox, Millard North High School

State Welding, SMAW

First place: Blake Tucker, North Platte High School
Second place: Christian Marsh, Millard North High School
Third place: Jacob Baideme, Millard North High School